26 *Ephedra nevadensis - Eriogonum corymbosum* Badlands Sparse Vegetation Painted Desert Sparsely Vegetated Alliance

Associations:

(PAINTED DESERT SPARSELY VEGETATED ALLIANCE)

- *-Ephedra nevadensis* / Lichen Sparse Vegetation
- *-Eriogonum corymbosum* Badlands Sparse Vegetation

Common species:

Eriogonum corymbosum Ephedra nevadensis Bromus tectorum Atriplex canescens Atriplex confertifolia Ericameria nauseosa Elymus elymoides Pleuraphis jamesii Unknown lichen species

Project Specifics:

Frequency = 63 total polygons 24 polygons ZION, 39 polygons Environs Area = 664 total acres 410 acres ZION, 254 acres Environs Average Size = 11 acres

Photo Signature Example

Description:

Badlands related to the Chinle geologic formations are relatively rare at ZION. Occurring only in the southern-most portions of the project area, this map class is very dry but does support a mix of xeric shrubs and forbs. On the photos this type looked similar to sparse forms of the Blackbrush Shrubland Complex and to the barren Chinle geology map classes.

Ground Photos



